



THE MAURITIUS TURF CLUB
CHAMP DE MARS – PORT LOUIS

INTERIM REPORT – SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER 2018

RACE 1 – THE LOUIS PHILIPPE BOULLE CUP – 1500M

Brave Leader - Near the 150 metres was eased out of the race. When questioned, jockey Nunes explained that from leaving the 400 metres the gelding stumbled on a couple of occasions and in the home straight, when asked for an effort, misstrode and, feeling that there was something amiss with the gelding, he decided to ease it out of the race. He also said that when trotting back to the paddock **Brave Leader** was severely lame on its off fore leg.

Mind Blowing – Leaving the 400 metres, for some distance, was held up when unable to improve from behind **Risky Rambo**. Hung in in the early stages of the home straight.

Red Indy – Raced wide from leaving the 500 metres.

Risky Rambo – Raced wide throughout.

Seven Carat - Near the 1250 metres had to be checked to avoid the heels of **Two Moon Junction**, which was being taken in when insufficiently clear. Shortly after was angled out when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Two Moon Junction**.

Two Moon Junction – Lay out over the concluding stages.

Roman Emperor – Commenced awkwardly, unbalancing jockey Sooful. Shortly after the start was taken across to race behind runners.

Majestic Moon – Slow to begin. Raced tight on the inside of **Brave Leader** passing the 1300 metres. Near the 150 metres was angled inwards to secure clear running.

Jet Path - Shortly after the start, when being urged forward, shifted out and brushed **Mind Blowing**, which was shifting in. Was taken out from the 500 metres and raced wide from then onwards.

GENERAL

On inquiry, jockey Rama (**Two Moon Junction**) pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in near the 1250 metres when insufficiently clear of **Seven Carat**, resulting in the latter having to be checked to avoid its heels. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.

RACE 2 – THE PAUL CLARENC CUP – 1400M

Gameloft – Slow to begin. Passing the 1100 metres was awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Apple Jack** and had to be eased for some distance and was eventually taken out.

Secret Idea – From leaving the 1000 metres was urged forward to secure the lead.

Come On Sonny – Slow to begin.

Red China – Passing the 1100 metres commenced to race fiercely and had to be eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Zen Master**. **Apple Jack**, which was following, became inconvenienced and had to steady to avoid its heels.

Thrust – Carried out passing the 1000 metres.

Winter Is Coming – From leaving the 1000 metres was allowed to stride forward to secure a position closer to the lead.

Apple Jack – Leaving the 1300 metres got its head up for a short distance. Inconvenienced and had to be steadied when inconvenienced close to the heels of **Red China** passing the 1100 metres. Hung in in the early stages of the home straight.

The Brass Bell – Passing the 1365 metres, for a short distance, raced tight on the inside of **Apple Jack**. Approaching the 1000 metres, when the pace slowed, was taken out to avoid the heels of **Gameloft** and, in doing so, carried **Thrust** wider on the track. Raced wide from the 400 metres.

Torpedo Officer – Passing the 300 metres brushed the running rail and became unbalanced.

GENERAL

On inquiry, jockey Bheekary (**Torpedo Officer**) pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (b) for excessively reducing the pace of his mount from approaching the 1100 metres, causing direct interference to **Zen Master** and indirect interference to **Red China**, **Apple Jack** and **Gameloft**. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.

RACE 3 –THE PREMIER FINANCIAL SERVICES IN AFRICA CHALLENGE CUP – 1600M

Kemal Kavur was unsettled in the barrier prior to the start. The Stewards reviewed the video replays of the start and received a report from the official Starter in relation to the start of **Kemal Kavur**. When questioned, jockey Joorawon who explained that the gelding had been unsettled prior to the start but after being steadied by the handler, bounded as the start was effected, beginning extremely awkwardly. Further, he had become unbalanced and nearly dislodged. The Stewards being of the view that **Kemal Kavur** was not denied a fair start, declared correct weight on the Judges semaphored numbers.

Nordic Chant – Slow into stride. Approaching the 1000 metres, when the pace slackened, commenced to over-race and was taken out to avoid the heel of **Emaar**. Leaving the 1000 metres commenced to over-race when **Kemal Kavur** improved on its outside and was allowed to stride forward to secure a position closer to the lead. Leaving the 900 metres brushed with **Kemal Kavur** and again approaching the 800 metres, becoming unbalanced and shifting in, racing tightly with **Red Line Captain**. Apprentice Allyhosain was shown the video replays of the incident, reprimanded and told that he should make more of an effort to allow room to horses on his inside.

Olympic Bolt – Slow to begin.

Tower Of Wisdom – Bumped on the hindquarters near the 600 metres.

Kemal Kavur – Missed the start, losing considerable lengths. Passing the 1000 metres over-racing, was taken out and allowed to stride forward to secure the lead. Brushed with **Nordic Chant** at the 900 metres and again at the 800 metres.

Red Line Captain – Passing the 800 metres raced tightly with **Nordic Chant**.

In The Loop – Slow to begin, losing considerable ground. From the 500 metres commenced to give ground and finished tailed off. When questioned, jockey Balloo explained that his mount jumped only fairly and he found himself racing at the back of the field. He added that, when asked for an effort approaching the 400 metres, the gelding failed to accelerate and shortened its stride not feeling comfortable.

Bypass – Brushed the running rail near the 1450 metres. Passing the 1000 metres was eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Netflix**.

RACE 4 – THE PREMIER FINANCIAL SERVICES 11TH ANNIVERSARY CHALLENGE CUP – 1400M

Glorious Goodwood - Jumped awkwardly and shifted out. over the concluding stages

Henry Tudor – Fractious in its gate prior to the start. Raced fiercely in the middle stages.

Mambo Rock – Over the concluding stages commenced to shift in, carrying **Glorious Goodwood** onto **Rock On Geordies** with the latter shifting inwards onto **Apollo Star** with **Apollo Star** having to be steadied when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Wall Tag**. Jockey Fradd was shown the video replays of the incident, severely reprimanded and told that he should straighten his mounts when they shift ground.

Rock On Geordies – Approaching the 100 metres commenced to shift out under pressure, carrying **Virtue** outwards with the latter becoming inconvenienced and having to be eased to avoid the heels of **Glorious Goodwood**.

Virtue – Slow to begin. From its wide draw was taken across to race behind runners.

Sky High Flyer – Was carried out shortly after the start by **Glorious Goodwood**.

Apollo Star – Fractious in its gate prior to the start.

Heart Of Darkness – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out. Leaving the 200 metres commenced to shift in under pressure and brushed **Wall Tag** near the 150 metres.

Wall Tag – Over the last 100 metres commenced to shift out.

Arctic Flyer – Unsettled in the barrier prior to the start and was slow to begin. Raced fiercely in the middle stages and passing the 700 metres had to be eased when awkwardly placed close to the heels of **Mambo Rock**.

RACE 5 – THE UNOPIU OUTDOOR FURNITURE CUP – 1600M

Correct weight was withheld for Stewards to view the final straight of the race. It was established that passing the 200 metres **Sea King** commenced to shift ground inwards with **Opera Royal** being taken outwards to continue going forward. The Stewards, being of the opinion that **Sea King** was clear of **Opera Royal** when it shifted in, decided not to proceed further and correct weight was declared on the Judges' semaphored numbers.

Act Of Loyalty – Passing the 450 metres was taken out to improve its position and raced wide from then onwards. Vet report: Lameness off fore.

Sea King – Slow to begin. Near the 400 metres was taken out to improve its position and carried **Seven League Boots** wider on the track.

Cool At Heart – Fractious in its barrier prior to the start and was slow to begin. Vet report: Returned with minor lacerations to both fore legs.

Recall To Life – Was taken across to race behind runners shortly after the start. Near 1200 metres tightened for room, was bumped and struck the running rail, becoming severely unbalanced. Shortly after this, shifted outwards quickly, carrying **The Right Road** outwards and raced wide for some distance thereafter.

The Right Road – Fractious in its barrier prior to the start. Shortly after the start lay inwards, bumping with **Sea King**, which then shifted in, bumping and inconveniencing **Cool At Heart**. Vet report: Lost off fore shoe and was lame on the off fore leg.

I Travel Light – Near 1200 metres was tightened for room, struck the running rail and had to be checked, losing its position.

Opera Royal – Tightened near the 1200 metres.

Seven League Boots - Raced wide throughout.

GENERAL

On inquiry, jockey Joorawon (**Act Of Loyalty**) pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in near the 1200 metres when insufficiently clear of **Opera Royal** which was taken in, tightening **Recall To Life**, which checked and struck the running rail. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting.

An inquiry into the reason for **I Travel Light** restraining near the 1200 metres was opened and adjourned to Tuesday morning.

RACE 6 – THE MOBALPA FRENCH DESIGN CUP – 1450M

Ready To Attack – Slow to begin. On straightening steadied and was carried inwards when **Captain Swarowski** lay inwards. From leaving the 450 metres was held up when unable to improve from behind **Ernie**.

Prince Of Thieves – Slow to begin. Held up when unable to improve from approaching the 400 metres from behind **Ready To Attack**. Had difficulty to secure a clear run in the home straight and passing the 200 metres had to be eased when awkward close to the heels of **Ernie**.

Turbulent Air – Commenced awkwardly and shifted in, bumping **Argun**. Raced wide throughout.

Dance On Air – Raced in restricted room on the inside of **Ernie** leaving the 200 metres for some distance.

Argun – Was unsettled in its barrier prior to the start. Bumped shortly after the start. Lay in under pressure. Vet report: Bled both nostrils.

RACE 7 – THE MOBALPA KITCHEN LEADER CUP – 990M

Emerald Victory – Tightened and carried inwards near the 800 metres.

Dickie Bird – Commenced awkwardly and shifted out, bumping heavily with **Zenzero** and was slow into stride. Near the 800 metres was tightened for room and bumped, becoming unbalanced. Was not persevered with in the home straight and finished tailed off. Vet report: Severed off hind tendon and was euthanized.

Indian Tractor – Restrained and shifted out at the 600 metres.

Gondwana – Slow to begin. Approaching the 800 metres was tightened and carried inwards. After this incident, despite the efforts of apprentice Allyhosain, the gelding lay inwards and bumped on several occasions **Zenzero** on its inside.

Zenzero – Commenced awkwardly and shifted in, bumping heavily with **Dickie Bird**. Approaching the 800 metres severely buffeted, checked and lost ground.

Duffield - Hung in from leaving the 100 metres.

GENERAL

On inquiry, jockey Balloo (**Badawee**) pleaded guilty to a charge under MTC Rule 160 A (f) in that he carelessly allowed his mount to shift in near the 800 metres when insufficiently clear, tightening **Emerald Victory** in onto **Gondwana** which restrained and shifted in, bumping **Zenzero**, which checked and lost ground and shifted in, bumping and inconveniencing **Dickie Bird**. He was suspended from riding in races for one Mauritian race meeting. After this incident, **Gondwana** continued to hang inwards and raced erratically despite the efforts of apprentice Allyhosain to keep his mounts straight.

An inquiry was opened and adjourned to Tuesday morning into the reason for **Indian Tractor** restraining and shifting out near the 600 metres.

RACE 8 – THE CASSINA MAURICE CUP – 1500M

Asyouplease – Slow to begin. Hung in in the home straight.

Fury – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out.

British Pound – Jumped awkwardly and shifted out.

Rasta Rebel – Crowded and bumped shortly after the start. Was taken out from leaving the 400 metres and raced wide rounding the home turn.

Roventas – Slow to begin.

From The Ashes – Struck on the hindquarters shortly after the start.

Napoli – Crowded for room shortly after the start. Raced wide in the early stages.

Eight Cities - Jumped awkwardly and shifted in, then crowded and bumped **Rasta Rebel** onto **Napoli** and struck the hindquarters of **From The Ashes**. Raced wide in the early stages.